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SUBJECT: PHASE II INSTALLATION AT E-1

REF: A. STATE 203751; B. STATE 033733 (2/12/76)

1. THE COMMANDING OFFICERS AT E-7 AND J-1 ARE UNDERSTANDABLY SENSITIVE TO ANY DISCUSSION CONCERNING CLASSIFIED EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION AT THEIR STATIONS. BOTH GOVERNMENTS HAVE PREVIOUSLY STATED THAT THE STATIONS WOULD BE PASSIVE AND WE HAVE NO EVIDENCE THAT THIS POLICY HAS CHANGED. AT THE PRESENT TIME THE EGYPTIANS HAVE BETWEEN 25 AND 50 CONSTRUCTION WORKERS CUTTING THROUGH SOLID LIMESTONE SOME SIX METERS TO LEVEL THE TOP OF HILL 710. VIRTUALLY ALL CONSTRUCTION AND SUPPORT MATERIALS MUST BE MOVED ALONG THE ACCESS ROAD. THEY HAVE INFORMED ME THAT THEY PLAN TO COMPLETE THE LEVELING PROCESS WITHIN 60 DAYS BEGINNING EARLY AUGUST AND THAT THEN THEY WILL GO INTO VARIOUS PHASES OF CONSTRUCTION THAT COULD LAST WELL OVER A YEAR. THEREFORE IT IS CLEAR THAT THE COMMANDER AT SECRET

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E-1 ANTICIPATES AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF CONSTRUCTION AND THAT ULTIMATELY HE WILL DESIRE TO HAVE ACCESS TO HILL 710 AROUND THE CLOCK.

2. I DO NOT BELIEVE IT ADVISABLE FOR SFM TO ATTEMPT SECURE ADDITIONAL DETAILS CONCERNING EGYPTIAN PLANS AND WILL NOT DO SO UNLESS SPECIFICALLY INSTRUCTED BY THE DEPARTMENT

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